## PROCLAMATION BY THE

## Governor of the State of Cexas

## TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I am vetoing and filing with the Secretary of State
House Bill No. 321, passed at the recently adjourned Regular Session of the Forty-Eighth Legislature.

House Bill No. 321 amends Article No. 2940 with respect to the qualifications of those who serve as chairmen or as members of any district, county, or city executive committee of a political party, and eliminates from the present statute the following restrictions on such services:

"or who holds any office of profit or trust under either the United States or this State, or in any city or town in this State; or who may be enjoying gratuitous passage on street cars or on other public service corporations, by reason of his appointment as a special policeman; or any one who has any connection, whatever, with the city, whereby the city is justified in issuing to any such person free transportation on the street cars, or franks entitling him to the free use of public service corporations, or any person who is regularly employed in any capacity by the city for whose services a salary or wages is paid, except a notary public."

In my opinion, it is not in the public interest for these restrictions to be removed. I consider service on the respective executive committees of political parties to be of great importance in preserving the purity of our election system. Every person who renders such service should be fair and impartial and free of any connections whatever that might restrain or hamper the integrity and independence of both thought and action in the discharge of whatever duties the law imposes on such committees.

House Bill No. 321 reached my office less than ten days before the end of the regular session of the Forty-Eighth Legislature.

In accordance with the Constitution, it is being filed with the Secretary of State together with this proclamation containing my objections to the bill.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereto at Austin this the 28th day of May, A.D., 1943.

Governor of Texas

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State

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FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THIS 3/ at DAY OF May 19 43

AT 9 O'CLOCK AND 30 MINUTES A.M

Secretary of State